

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

COOKSHIRE.—*St. Peter's*.—The services on Easterday were as follows:

The celebration of the "The Holy Communion" at 8:30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. The number of communicants was fifty-three.

The altar was vested in white and tastefully decorated with choice flowers by Mrs. H. Sawyer, Mrs. Henry Learned and Mrs. Geo. Cook. The anthems at both morning and evening service were beautifully sung by the choir. All the services were well attended.

BROMPTON.—The annual Vestry meeting of Christ Church was held on Easter Monday. The principal subject was the discussion on the matter of trespass upon a lot of wild land granted by the government. It is astonishing how soon parties are found to question the right of the Crown Lands Department to make any grant to the Church, and to take advantage of everything that is likely to give trouble or stir up strife. Among some of the Christian sects here it was almost a miniature Jesuit grant.

Robert Brooks, Esq., (re-appointed), and Geo. Ward, Esq., were appointed wardens for the ensuing year.

WINDSOR MILLS.—*St. George's*.—This Church has been painted and otherwise improved during the past year, and presented a cheerful and neat appearance at the Easter meetings. During Lent weekly services were held and more regularly attended than heretofore. A very pretty banner, and appropriate for the season, was sent from Seattle, Washington Territory, by Mrs. McPherson, whose mother still resides in her house here, which she has occupied for nearly 65 years, and is now quite the oldest resident in the place. Though unable to attend church she joins with all in appreciation of the gift, which shows the unity of the Church all over the world, and I trust the prayers that went up on the Glad Festival was that "we all might be one." Chas. A. Millen, and Nelson, Riff, Esqs., are wardens for ensuing year.

SHERBROOKE.—The Easter services at St. Peter's Church were unusually hearty and impressive, every seat being filled morning and evening. The musical part of the service was ably conducted by the organist, Mr Lloyd, and was unusually good. The floral decorations were the finest display ever made at an Easter service in the Church, and reflect great credit on the ladies in charge. The Rector preached in the morning and the curate in the evening.

The annual meeting of the Vestry was held in the Church Hall, Montreal Street, on Easter Monday, 22nd inst. There was quite a large attendance including a good number of the ladies of the congregation. The Wardens' report showed ordinary receipts \$3,314 43, expenses \$3,166.18, ballance cash in hand and in bank \$288 58. In addition to ordinary receipts there were raised during the year, by offertories for special church work in the parish and outside \$1,045.04, on subscriptions to East Sherbrooke Church, \$329.72, and a special donation by a generous member of the congregation of \$1,100 as the nucleus of a fund for building a new St. Peter's Church in this city.

A "Year Book" compiled by a Committee appointed at last annual Vestry, giving a short history of the Church in Sherbrooke, a report by the Rector of the year's work, the Wardens' report, and short reports from the Superintendents of the Sunday schools, Ladies' and Children's Guilds, Ladies Auxiliary Society and other church work, was submitted and highly approved. It was voted to continue the publication yearly hereafter.

A Resolution of Condolence with the family of the late Dr. Reid was passed, and a committee appointed to take action on a suggestion of the Rector to start a memorial fund in connection with the proposed new church, to

commemorate the late Dr. Reid's faithful services in the Church in this parish.

Votes of thanks were passed to the generous donor of the new church fund, to the Wardens, to the compilers of the "Year Book," to the choirs of St. Peter's and the Church of the Advent, and to the Sidesmen.

H. A. Elkins and Wm. Farwell were re-elected Wardens.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

CHAMBLY.—The annual Easter Vestry meeting of St. Stephen's Church, Chambly, was held on Monday, the 22nd, at 10 o'clock. The Rector, the Rev. E. McManus, presided. The minutes of previous meetings were read by the Secretary, Mr. W. J. R. Beattie, and confirmed. The people's warden, Mr. W. B. Austin, then presented the financial statement for the year, just closed, which proved to be most satisfactory showing the parish to be free from all obligations and with a nice balance on hand for needed repairs to church and rectory. Resolutions of condolence with the family of the late Canon DuVernet and of thanks to Mr. R. A. A. Jones for his liberal donation of \$200 for the erection of a tablet to the memory of the late Rev. Joseph Braithwaite, and also for repairs of church and rectory were unanimously passed.

Messrs. J. W. Howard and Benjamin Burland were elected to represent this parish as lay delegates to Synod. The Rector named Mr. J. W. Howard as his churchwarden, and Mr. W. B. Austin was reelected as people's warden for the ensuing year.

FARNHAM.—St. James' Church was very beautifully decorated with flowering plants for Easter day. A massive floral pyramid, surmounted by a fuchsia trained to represent a cross stood at the entrance of the church; other plants were placed also in effective positions. The congregations were very large, and over a third of the morning attendance remained to take part in the highest act of worship and praise at the Table of the Lord. The singing of the chants and anthems and usual hymns reflected great credit on the choir of young persons and children who had had long and careful training under the Rector's wife, who is the organist of the Church.

BEDFORD.—The Easter Vestry meeting of St. James' Church was, on the whole, very satisfactory and encouraging. During the year extensive repairs have been made, including the re-roofing of the Church, re-painting within and without, new carpeting, &c. The cost of these improvements are \$525, which has been raised by voluntary subscription. On Easter Day, the sacred edifice presented a beautiful appearance, the chancel, font, &c., having been most tastefully decorated by loving hands in honor of the risen Lord. The annual election of office bearers resulted as follows: Rector's warden, E. W. Morgan; People's warden, L. Barnes; Delegates to Synod, Z. V. Whitman, J. F. Whitwell; Sidesmen, W. J. Bortram, E. F. Currie, J. H. Martin, J. F. O'Neill, C. P. Pullen, C. A. Rice, junior., G. S. Walsh, W. H. Williamson. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded the retiring wardens, Messrs. E. J. Taylor and Whitwell, for the admirable manner in which they had discharged the duties of that office during the last two years.

WATERLOO AND GRANBY.—The neighboring parish churches of Waterloo and Granby have just been gladdened and enriched by the bestowal of two most unusually costly Easter Memorials—the generous gifts of a former parishioner, W. H. Robinson, Esq., of the Eastern Townships Bank at Huntingdon, Que.

The use and beauty of these handsome memorials of a dearly loved son, now at rest in the Paradise of God, enhanced the brightness of

our Easter services. Baptized in St. Luke's Church, Waterloo, the gift of a Font and Baptistry to that Church was a most fitting memorial of his entrance into the Christian life on earth, and into the newer life beyond with the Risen Christ. His post-baptismal life in Granby marked by evidences of the early wisdom of knowing the Holy Scriptures led to the selection of an eagle lectern for St. George's Church as an appropriate memorial of the short young life he spent in that place.

The Baptistry is erected on the north side of the front west entrance of the Church in its traditional and symbolical position near to the door, and occupies a floor space of over nine feet square. It consists of a platform sixteen inches high and seven feet square, which is padded and covered with Wilton carpet of a rich crimson colour. The sides of the platform are made of rich red oak carved, deeply panelled and perforated, showing decorated posts at the four corners and mid-sections, which intercept a trefoil moulding which runs along the upper and outer edge of it. Rising from these posts are eight standards of polished brass, consisting of a partly twisted and partly plain column with floriated ornaments on the right and left, of the same metal. These give support to an oaken rail which is carried round the whole structure, except where an opening is left between two standards on the east side.

The top of the platform is filled with imported Minton tiles; the inner portion of a deep terra cotta laid diagonally, the outer consisting of several bands of color of varying widths and designs; the tints being deep green, cream, chocolate and fawn. The chief of these outer bands is one of a fish pattern terminating at the four corners of the floor in Evangelist tiles of a bright blue color, bearing the well known symbols of the angel, ox, lion and eagle.

In the centre stands a magnificent Font of Champlain grey marble of polished and plain surfaces. On an octagonal base lies a cruciform shaft, from which rises an octagonal polished shaft, and opposite four of its sides are placed polished columns with richly carved capitals supporting the octagonal bowl which beams on four of its faces in bas-relief the Alpha and Omega, I. H. S., double triangles and Maltese Cross, and round the splay above in incised lettering are the words, "Suffer little children to come unto me." To complete this elegant memorial there is provided a chaste and capacious Font Ewer in polished brass, bearing upon a raised band about the middle, the text, "One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism. This last is the work of the Gorham Manufacturing Co., of New York.

The finely oiled oakwork is by Cox, of Granby. The brass work by Robert Mitchell & Co., of Montreal, and the Font itself by Robt. Reid, of the Montreal Marble works.

The present and future generation of church people in Waterloo may well be proud of this very valuable addition to the furnishing of their House of God, and grateful to the donor whose thankfulness is only exceeded by his generosity and deep attachment to the Church of his love and heart.

On a brass shield let into the tiling at the foot of the font we notice the following inscription: "To the Glory of God, and in loving remembrance of our son Charles Aubry Robinson, born at Waterloo, P. Q., July 18th, 1876. Entered into rest at Huntingdon, P. Q., Sept. 8th, 1888. St. Luke's Church Easter 1889."

The other memorial gift is to the congregation of St. George's Church, Granby, and is from the firm of the Gorham Manufacturing Co., of New York. It is a fine specimen of an Eagle Lectern in polished brass, and was used for the first time on Easter morning. A conical base upon four feet, with a chased band running round it, supports a twisted column, which is surmounted by a ball, on the top of which an eagle of beautiful proportions and perfect outline stands with outspread wings. The name